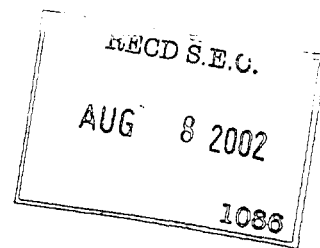


UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM CB/A

TENDER OFFER/RIGHTS OFFERING NOTIFICATION FORM

(AMENDMENT NO. 17)



Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to file this Form:

Securities Act Rule 801 (Rights Offering)



Securities Act Rule 802 (Exchange Offer)



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Exchange Act Rule 14d-1(c) (Third Party Tender Offer)



Exchange Act Rule 14e-2(d) (Subject Company Response)



AurionGold Limited
(Name of Subject Company)

Australia
(Jurisdiction of Subject Company's Incorporation or Organization)

Placer Dome Inc.
(Name of Person(s) Furnishing Form)

Common Shares
(Title of Class of Subject Securities)

725906-1-01
(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities (if applicable))

J. Donald Rose
Executive Vice President, Secretary and General Counsel
Placer Dome Inc.
1600-1055 Dunsmuir Street
Vancouver, British Columbia V7X 1P1
(604) 682-7082

(Name, Address (including zip code) and Telephone Number (including area code) of Person(s)
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Person Furnishing Form)

May 28, 2002
(Date Tender Offer/Rights Offering Commenced)

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PART I - INFORMATION SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS

Item 1. Home Jurisdiction Documents.

(a) On August 7, 2002, Placer Dome Asia Pacific Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Placer Dome Inc., lodged a Seventeenth Supplementary Bidder's Statement with the Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

(b) Not applicable.

Item 2. Information Legends.

A legend compliant with Rule 802(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, has been included in the Bidder's Statement and Offer of Placer Dome Asia Pacific Limited.

PART II - INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED TO BE SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS

(1) Not applicable.

(2) Not Applicable.

(3) Not Applicable.

PART III - CONSENT TO SERVICE OF PROCESS

Placer Dome Inc. has previously filed with the SEC an Irrevocable Consent and Power of Attorney on Form F-X.

PART I – INFORMATION SENT TO SECURITY HOLDERS

PLACER DOME ASIA PACIFIC LIMITED

SEVENTEENTH SUPPLEMENTARY BIDDER'S STATEMENT

This document is a supplementary bidder's statement to the Bidder's Statement dated 27 May 2002 ("**Original Statement**") by Placer Dome Asia Pacific Limited (ABN 80 050 284 967) ("**Bidder**") which was lodged at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission on 27 May 2002 in relation to the Bidder's offers ("**Offers**") for all of the ordinary shares ("**Shares**") in AurionGold Limited (ABN 60 008 560 978) ("**AurionGold**").

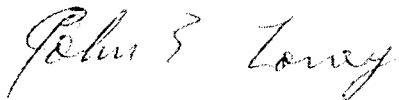
Previous supplementary bidder's statements by the Bidder relating to the Original Statement were lodged with ASIC on 27 May 2002, 7 June 2002, 11 June 2002, 17 June 2002, 24 June 2002, 26 June 2002, 27 June 2002, 4 July 2002, 10 July 2002, 12 July 2002, 25 July 2002, 29 July 2002, 30 July 2002, 31 July 2002, 2 August 2002 and 6 August 2002 ("**Previous Supplementary Bidder's Statements**"). This Seventeenth Supplementary Bidder's Statement should be read together with the Original Statement and Previous Supplementary Bidder's Statements. Unless the context requires otherwise, terms defined in the Original Statement and the Previous Supplementary Bidder's Statements have the same meaning in this Statement.

Presentation to Diggers and Dealers Conference

Attached as Annexure A is a presentation to be given by Peter Tomsett, Managing Director of the Bidder, at the Diggers and Dealers Conference in Kalgoorlie today.

Dated: 7 August 2002

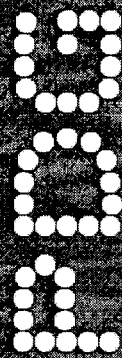
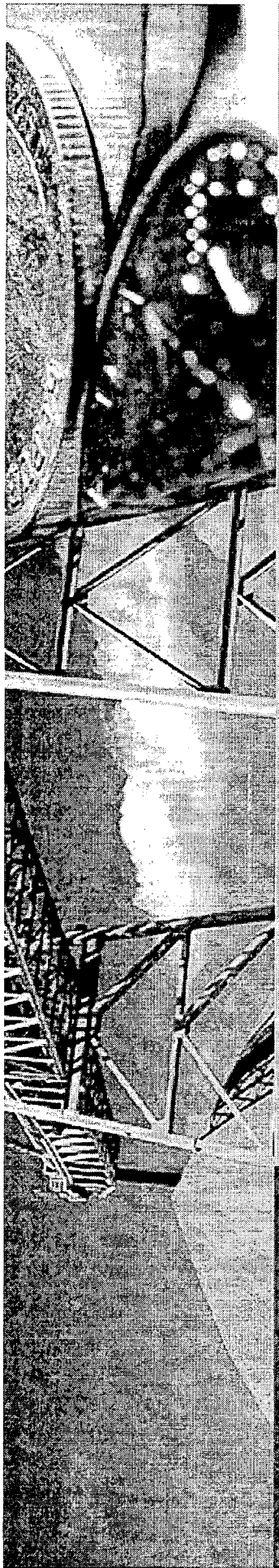
SIGNED by **JOHN LONEY** on behalf of **PLACER DOME ASIA PACIFIC LIMITED** who is authorised to sign this Statement pursuant to a resolution passed by the directors of Placer Dome Asia Pacific Limited on 7 August 2002.



John Loney
Director

A copy of this Statement was lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission on 7 August 2002. ASIC does not take any responsibility for the contents of this Statement.

ANNEXURE A - PRESENTATION

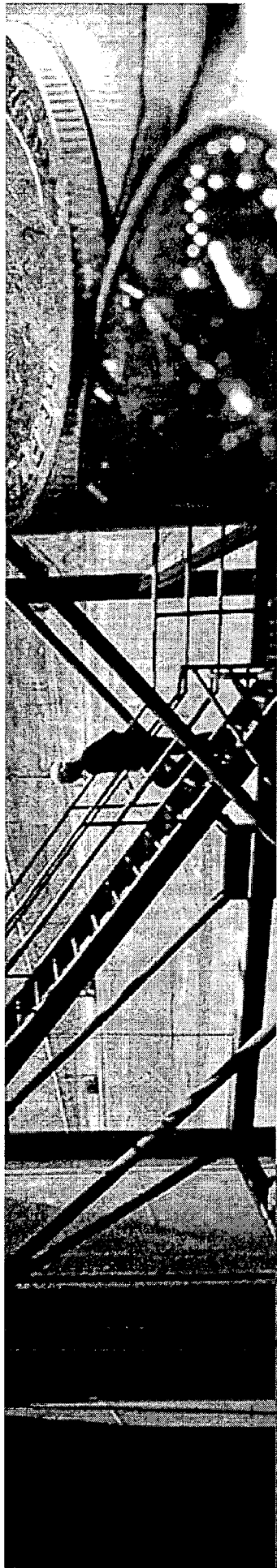


THE PLACER DOME GROUP

Peter Torrey

Managing Director

Placer Dome Asia Pacific



PLC

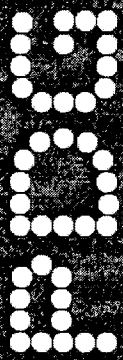
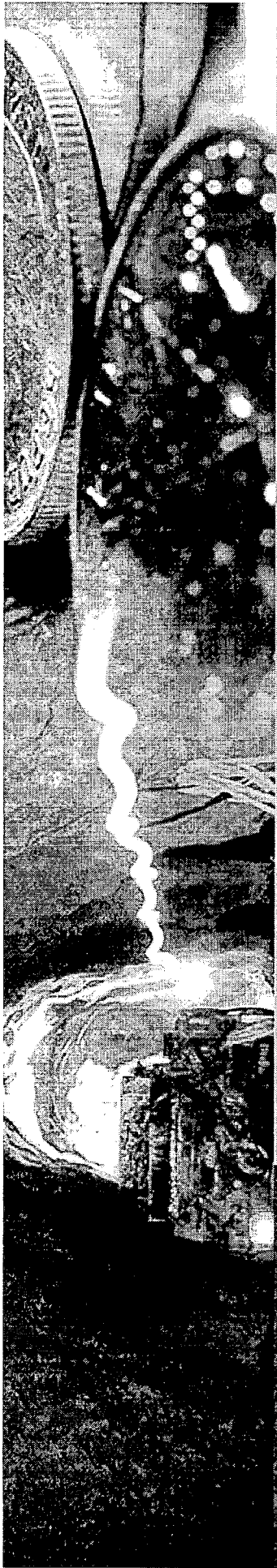
Introduction

PLC in Power Global Overview

PLC in Asia Pacific

PLC in Kalgoorlie

PLC Bid Status



Placer Dome Group

Over 450 million tonnes of mineral production

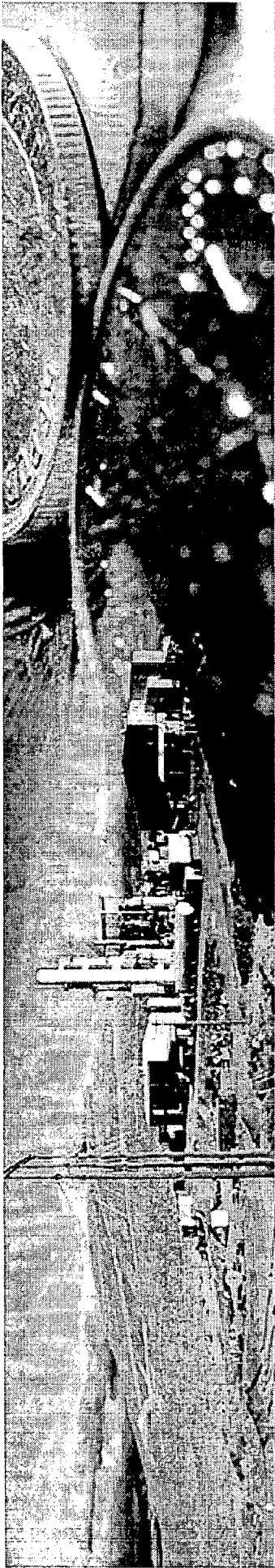
5th largest globally

13 operations worldwide

2.8 million ounces produced in 2004

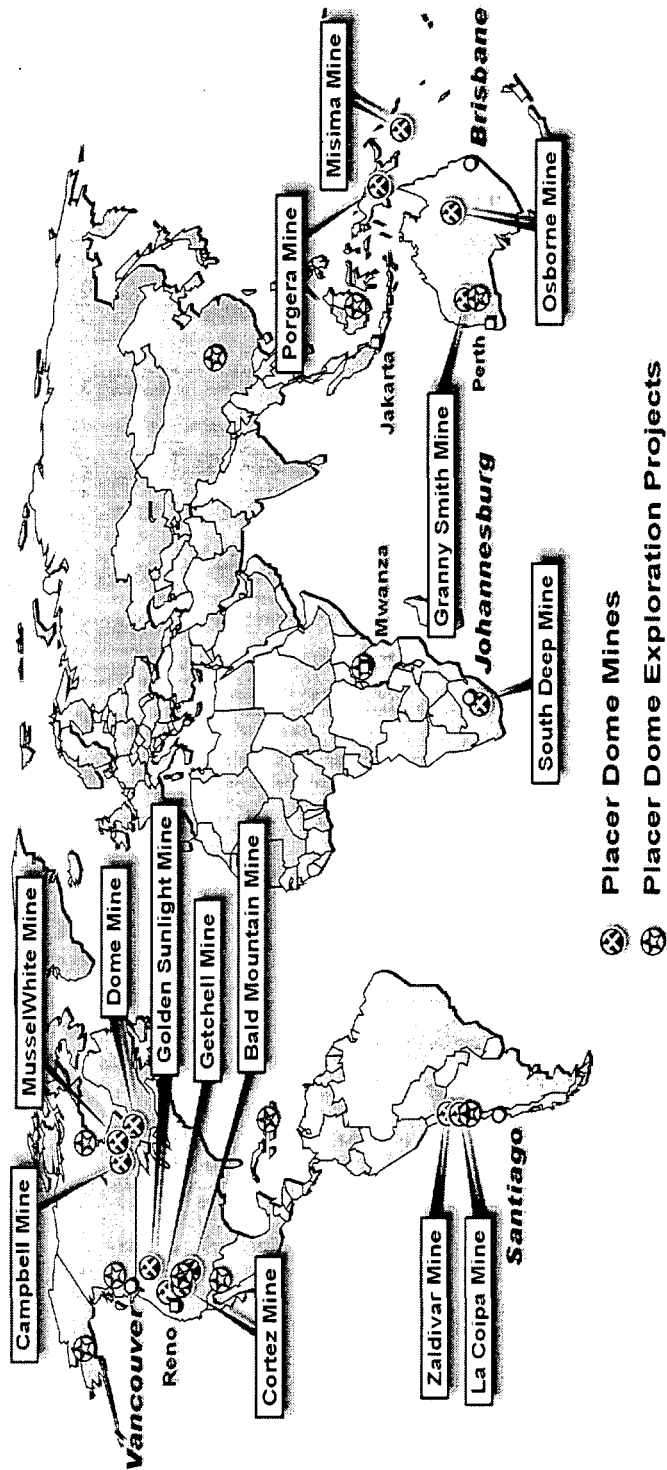
Cash cost US\$977/oz

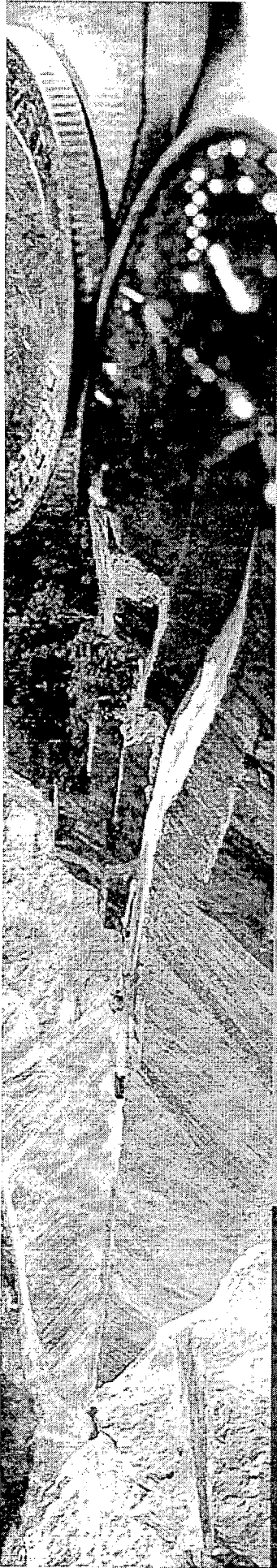
Total cost US\$2333/oz



A Global Portfolio

Placer Dome Global Operations

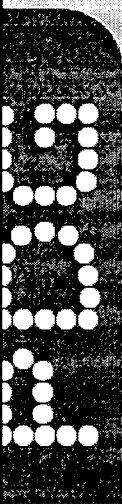




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PDG Strategy

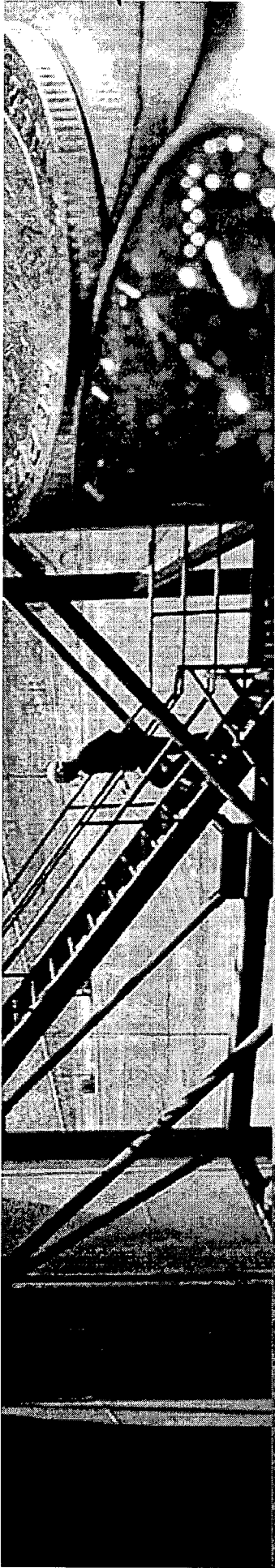
- Optimize our existing assets
- Pursue quality investments in the business
- Develop innovative ways to improve performance



6 Months To June 30, 2002

	US\$m	AS\$m
Mining Operating Earnings	170	216
Net Earnings	85	158
Cash Flow from Operations	180	235

Source: Management Information System as of 30 June 2002. Figures are in US\$m.



6 Months To June 30, 2002

6 Months To June 30, 2002

Production

m oz

1,134

Cash Cost

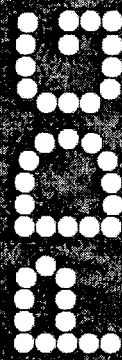
US\$/oz

177

Total Cost

US\$/oz

228



Reserves and Resources

Position remains strong

• Year-end mineral reserves of 44.5

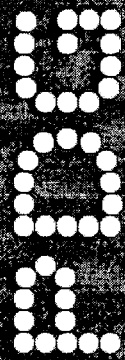
million oz.

• Plus Metallurgical resources of 40

million oz.

• Murex replaced 1.4 million oz.

Mineral Reserves are those quantities of minerals that can be economically extracted under current conditions.



Pipeline of Properties

Est. Mgt. Resources Inc.

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Graciosa

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Pueblo Viejo

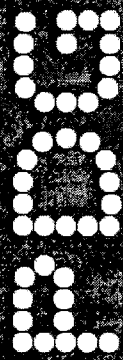
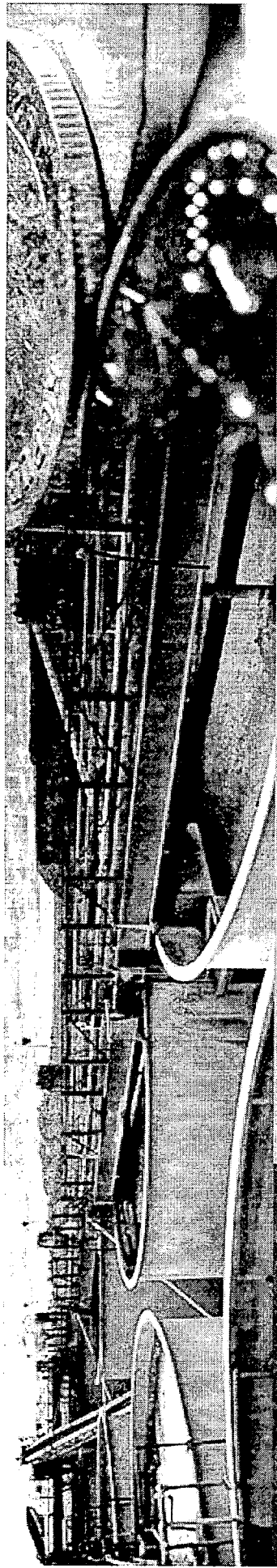
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Timburi

(Dorling)



Long History in the Region

Bulolo River, PNG 1926

Kidston 1985

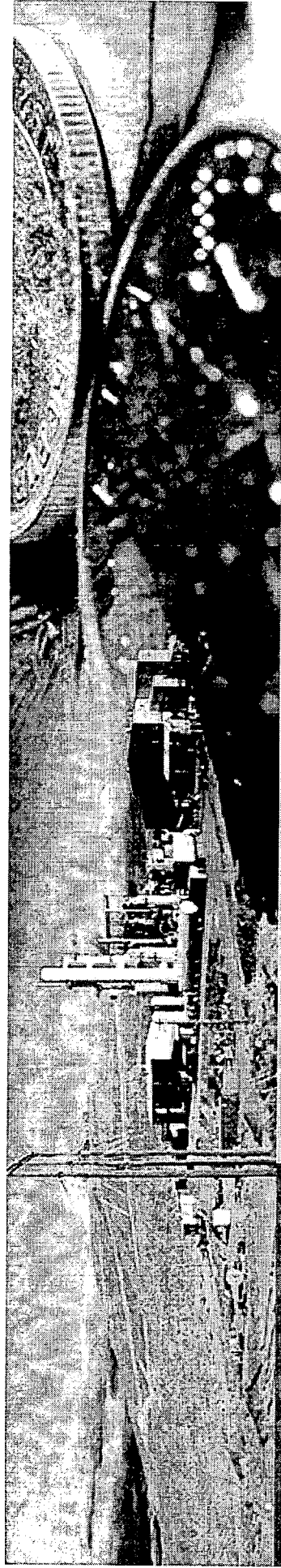
Wissima 1989

Porogera 1990

Grahamy Smith 1990

Osborne 1995

Strong, Australian focus and management

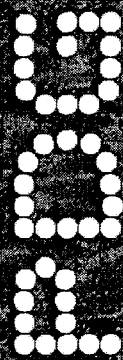
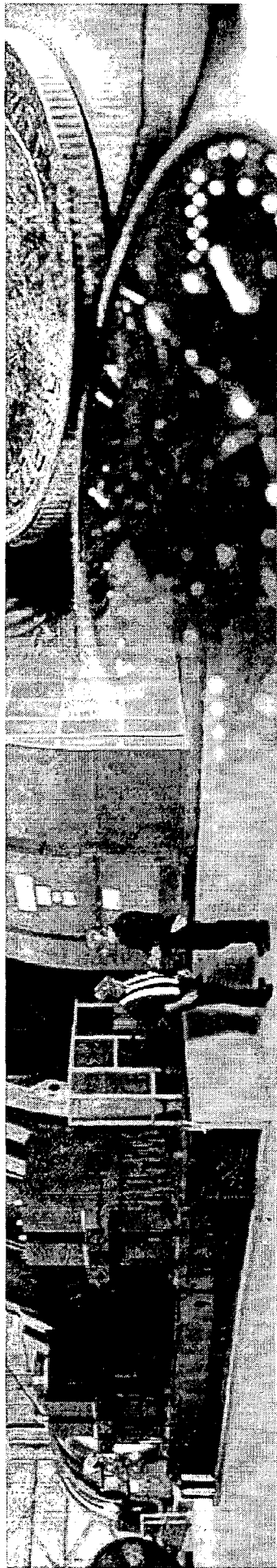


PDG

Placer in Western Australia

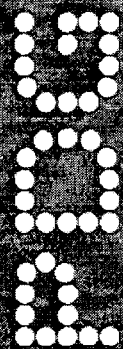
- Placer acquired 60% interest in Gnampt Smith in 1988 for A\$46m
- Wine production exceeds 410 mtoz
- Wine operating earnings currently exceed A\$450m (PDG share)

- Remaining reserves exceed 2.5 mtoz
- Remaining M&A resources exceed 7 mtoz
- Remaining unmined resources exceed 3 mtoz



Exploration Portfolio in Kalgoorlie

- Projects at Brindum (JV with Groesus) and/or Zuleika Shear (Carnegie and Blister Dam)
- Adjacent and complementary to AurionGold tenements



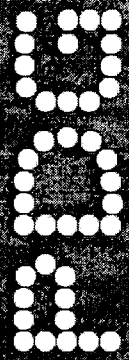
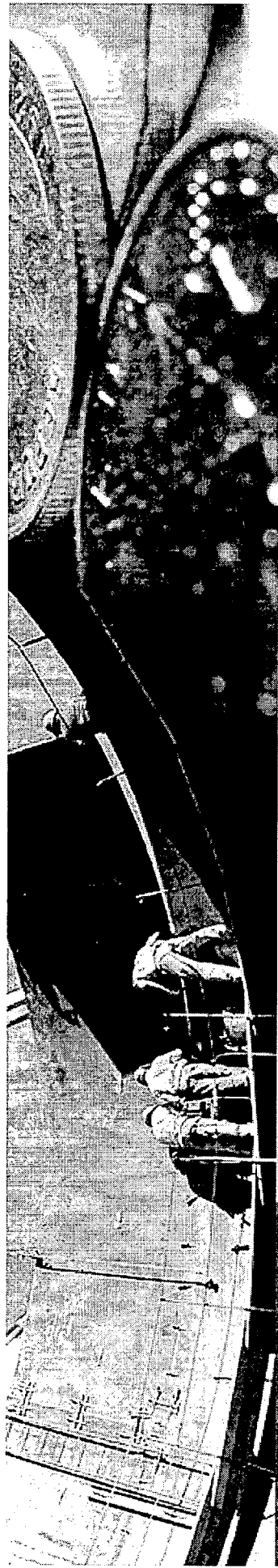
Placer Dome & AurionGold

Compelling, strategic

transaction

Logical combination of

both companies



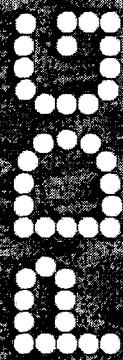
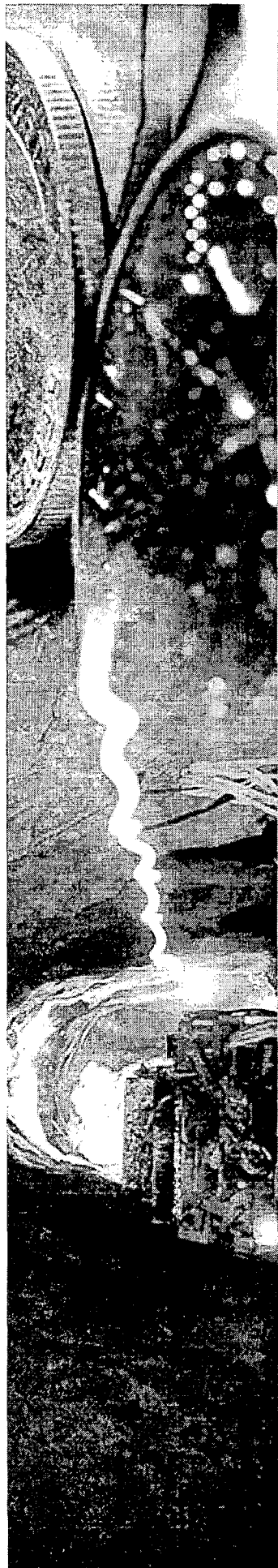
A Compelling Combination

Placer Dome would be a 100% owner of the Grasby, Smeeth and other mines in Australia

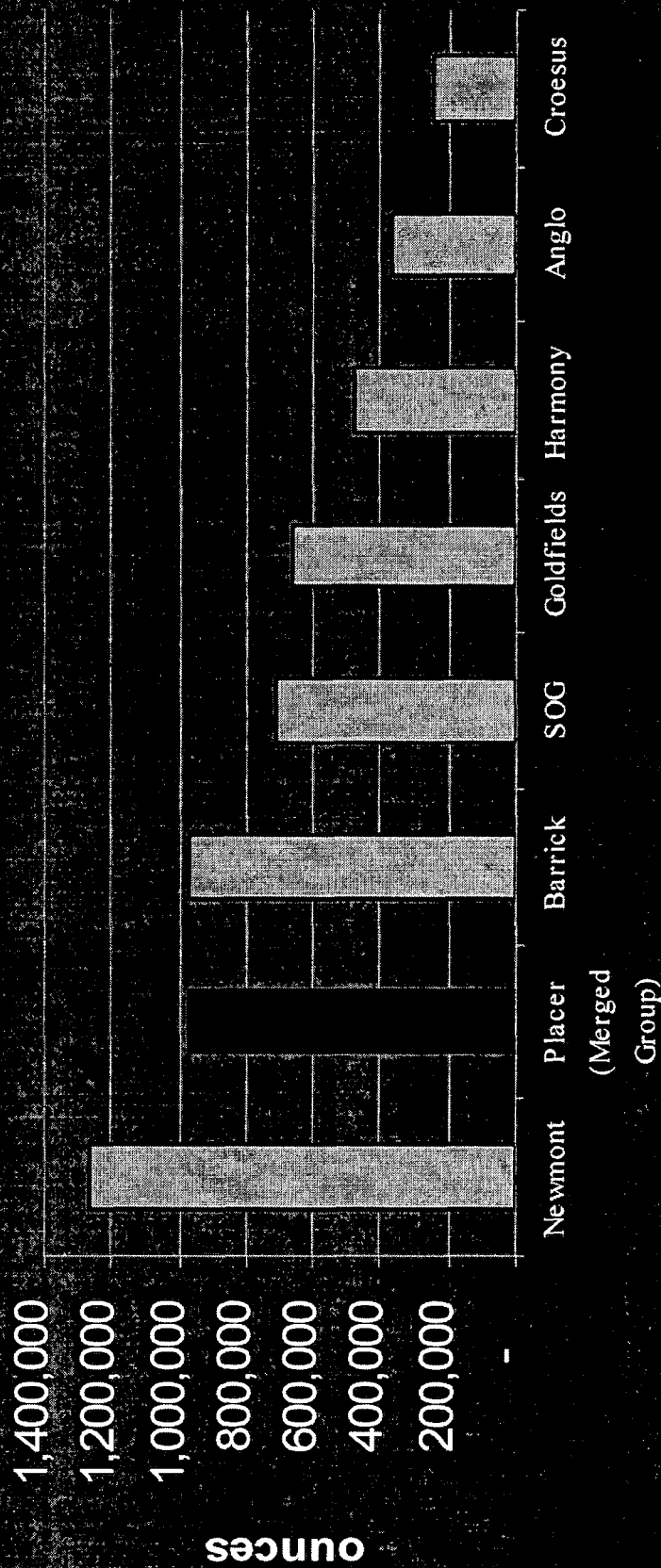
75% owner of the Pongara mine in PNG

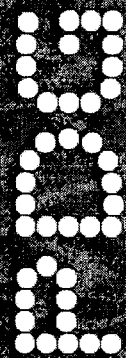
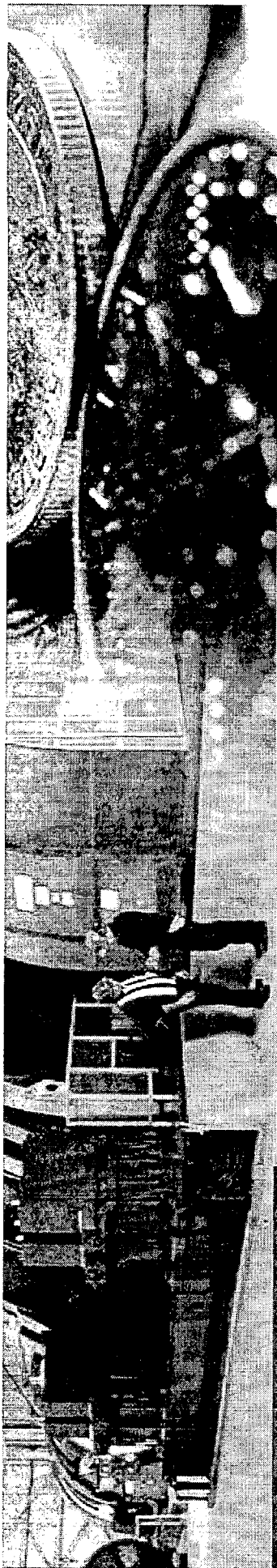
Dominant in Laverdon and Kalgoorlie regions

A major WA gold producer



WA Annual Production to 31 March 2002





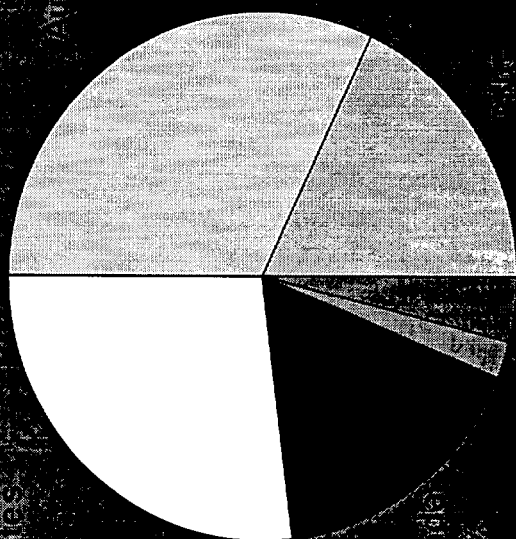
Impact on Geopolitical Profile

Merged Group Global Production

(As of 31 December 2005)

United States

205,416



Canada

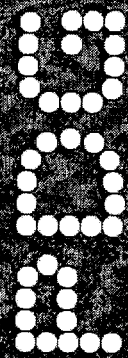
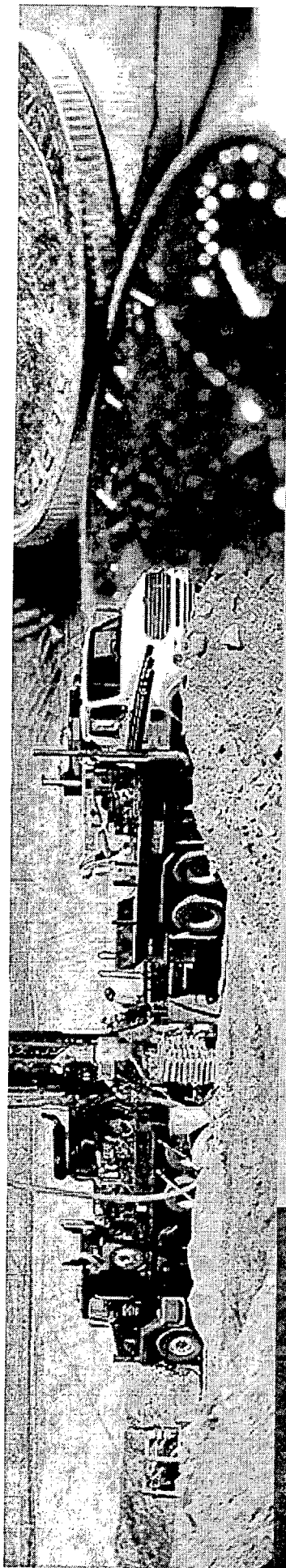
17,000

Europe

10,000

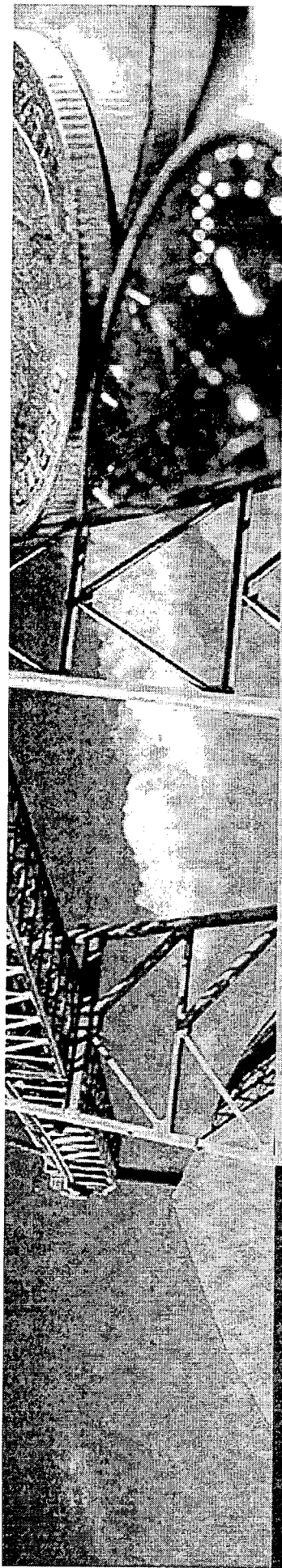
Asia

10,000



Bid Status

- Offer is 17.5 Placer Dome shares per 100 Aurion Gold shares plus A\$0.35 cash per share
- Offer scheduled to close on 7th August



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Summary

The Long history in Australia

Domfront producer of the past

Intention is to be a major long term
player in WA

PART IV – SIGNATURES

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

PLACER DOME INC.

By: /s/J. Donald Rose
Name: J. Donald Rose

Title: Executive Vice President, Secretary &
General Counsel

August 8, 2002